

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : **10/555,266** Confirmation No. : **9354**
First Inventor : **Peter Fuhrmann, et al.** Docket No. : **DE030145US1**
Filing Date : **November 1, 2005**
TC/A.U. : **2462**
Examiner : **Henry Baron**
Title : **ERROR DETECTION AND SUPPRESSION IN A TDMA-BASED NETWORK NODE**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

STATUS INQUIRY

Sir:

Applicant hereby inquires as to the status of the subject application.

Over three months ago, on September 16, 2010, Applicant filed an Amendment After Final Rejection in this case. To date, Applicant has not received any response to that Amendment After Final Rejection.

Applicant wishes to point out that prompt consideration of this Amendment After Final Rejection is required by M.P.E.P. § 714.13(III), which states in part:

Any amendment timely filed after a final rejection should be immediately considered to determine whether it places the application in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal. **An examiner is expected to turn in a response to an amendment after final rejection within 10 calendar days from the time the amendment is received by the examiner. A reply to an amendment after final rejection should be mailed within 30 days of the date the amendment is received by the Office....** If delays in processing the Notice of Allowability are expected, e.g., because an extensive examiner's amendment must be entered, and the end of a statutory period for reply is near, the examiner should notify applicant by way of an interview that the application has been placed in condition for allowance, and an Examiner Initiated Interview Summary PTOL-413B should be mailed. Prompt notice to applicant is important because it may avoid an unnecessary appeal and act as a safeguard against a holding of abandonment. Every effort should be made to mail the letter before the period for reply expires.

(Emphasis added).

Applicant has not received any such notification from the Examiner.

Prompt notification as to the status of application and allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

No fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this paper. If, however, the Commissioner deems otherwise, the Commissioner is authorized to charge fees now or hereafter due to Deposit Account No. **50-4019**.

Please contact Applicant's undersigned attorney with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: **December 17, 2010**

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